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(*b*) whether the Government would place a copy of such report on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

8-40 a.m. SRI G. RAMA RAO :—" I think the Government are aware of the fact that there is a very low percentage of Andhras in all categories of public services in spite of the existence of the Public Service Commission for the last twenty-five years. May I know, Sir, whether the Government consider it necessary to bring this glaring and wanton injustice done to Telugu people to the notice of Sri Justice Wanchoo to consider it as a special issue? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question is whether any report was given by the Government to Sri Justice Wanchoo. This supplementary question does not arise out of that question."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" This is a very important question relating to services. I know that Sri Justice Wanchoo asked every person who met him certain questions about the partition of services also. I want to know whether the Government failed to give any suggestions with regard to that."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Let the hon. Member give notice of a fresh question. I will admit it for answer to-morrow."

Habitual offenders' settlements.

* 264 *Q.*—SRI K. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state whether admission into habitual offenders' settlements is open to men, women and children who volunteer to come in, irrespective of their falling within the category of habitual offenders as defined in the Habitual Offenders' Act; and if so, how many voluntary settlers—men, women and children—there are in the various settlements in the State?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" Admission to the habitual offenders' settlements is not open to all men, women and children who volunteer to reside in the settlement irrespective of their antecedents. The admission as voluntary residents is restricted to—

(*a*) a discharge settler, or

(*b*) a member of an ex-notified tribe, or

(*c*) one related to any one permanently living in the settlement, or

(*d*) one whose services are required in the settlement such as scavengers, washerman, etc.

" On 23rd January 1953 there were 44 men, 49 women and 38 children who had been admitted into the settlements as voluntary settlers besides discharged settlers who have been allowed to stay in the settlements."

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SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" Are the Government aware that in spite of the information given in the answer that the settlers were coming in voluntarily, the police are bringing in persons forcibly and keeping them in the settlements?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" It is not true."

SRI K. KRISHNA RAO :—" Is it not a fact that, by allowing voluntary settlers who do not come under the provisions of the Habitual Offenders Act, the Government are circumventing the Act and seeing to it that persons whom the police do not like are simply forced into the settlements? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" The presumption is not correct."

SRI R. KRISHNAN :—" Where are these settlements situated, what are the handicrafts taught there and have the Government any statistics regarding habitual offenders? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNA NAIR :—" There are four settlements. Every year, a report on the administration of the settlements is published. It contains information about the acreage, the number of families, the handicrafts taught, etc."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" What are the bases by which admission to these settlements is regulated? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" The Habitual Offenders Act."

Disafforestation of Allur-Nizampatnam block in Guntur district.

* 265 *Q.*—SRI V. SRI KRISHNA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the year in which the Allur-Nizampatnam block in Guntur district was disafforested for assignment;

(*b*) whether the said land has now been assigned; and

(*c*) if not, why not?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) In 1945.

" (*b*) & (*c*) In December 1950 these lands were ordered to be assigned to political sufferers, ex-servicemen and landless poor."

SRI V. SRI KRISHNA :—" In spite of the fact that orders were issued more than two years ago, the said land has not been assigned, and will the Government see that the land is assigned to the landless poor immediately? "